

COTTON MARKET

(Associated Press)

NEW YORK, July 24—Cotton futures opened easy. July 24:42; October 24:65 to 24:55; December 24:77; January 24:20; March 24:56; 24:78.

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THE WEATHER

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WASHINGTON, July 24—Alabama: Partly cloudy to night. Saturday local thunder showers.

NEW NORTH ALABAMA RAILROAD IS PROPOSED

Fourteen Are Arrested Here In Dry Raids Today

LARGE QUANTITIES OF LIQUOR SEIZED IN TWO BUILDINGS

Bribery Charges Made, Officer Says, After Money Was Paid

NINE AGENTS ARE IN THE ROUND-UP

Federal And State Dry Officers Co-operate In The Raids

Four Alabama prohibition agents and five United States dry agents arrived here this morning and a short time later launched a series of raids, in which fourteen men were arrested and large quantities of liquor seized.

Nine of the men arrested, according to John Coleman, state officer, were charged with bribery and conspiracy to violate the national prohibition law. They include Marion Blackwell, John Sherrill, Lon Allen, Pete Collier, Bob Donahoo, D. Almon, Joe Gunn, Ross Baber, Abe Powell.

Three were charged with violation of the prohibition law: T. B. Speck, Sam Sherrill and Will Alexander, the latter a negro.

Charles Nevillev as arrested later, Mr. Coleman stated, on a charge of distilling after a raid down the river is said to have resulted in the capture of a still in operation, together with about 24 barrels of beer and two and one half gallons of whiskey.

At a place on Church street, officers said they captured 274 one half pints of whiskey, two five gallon containers and one ten gallon container with their contents.

A Bank street Barbecue stand was said by officers to have yielded five gallons of whiskey.

Mr. Coleman stated that the bribery charges grew out of a bit of detective work by officers several weeks ago when an agent visited here and accepted money from several sources, presumably for "protection." Officers have been working up the cases since that time, he said and the raid today was the answer. Approximately \$975 was paid over in the transaction he said.

The officers were said to have arrived here this morning on the Pan-American from the south. They began their work soon afterward and by shortly afternoon announced the results of one of the most sensational raids ever conducted here.

Judge Hargett, of Birmingham, federal prohibition director, attended the raid here today, it was stated. Those placed under arrest were to be taken to Huntsville this afternoon for a hearing.

MINE SEALED

(Associated Press)

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., July 24—Advices received at 10:30 o'clock this morning from Rockwood by the Chattanooga News state the entrance to Bryson's Dip has been sealed and that all efforts to recover the remaining eight bodies, before the fire burns itself out, have been abandoned.

HONEYMOON INTERRUPTED BY CRUEL COP

(Associated Press)

NEW YORK, July 24—Police today temporarily terminated the honeymoon of Frank McKenzie, who said he was a professional golfer, and his bride of a week. McKenzie was arrested as he sat with his wife in the Hotel Astor. He is charged with non-payment of a Buffalo hotel bill.

At police headquarters McKenzie admitted owing the money but said he left a valuable set of golf clubs as collateral.

McKenzie said his home is in Atlanta.

Still Picking



EDWARD W. BROWNING (Inset) DOROTHY INT

Edward W. Browning, wealthy New York realtor, was undecided on the little girl he would adopt as a playmate for his adopted daughter, Dorothy. Thousands of little girls answered his advertisement.

COLEMAN SENTENCE IS YEAR AND DAY

Pleads Guilty To The Robbery Charge At Falkville

A. R. Coleman has been sentenced to a year and a day in the state penitentiary following his arraignment on a charge of burglarizing the Stringer Drug Company at Falkville. Coleman pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced by Circuit Judge James E. Horton.

The Coleman case has caused considerable interest among those who became acquainted with him since he was placed in the Morgan County jail. Upon the occasion of his first hearing he is said to have cleared a man who was held with him in connection with the robbery. He is said to have declared that he alone was to blame and the other man was freed on Coleman's testimony.

Coleman was taken shortly following the report of the robbery of the Falkville store and it is said that a part of the stolen goods were found on his person. He and the other man were brought here and given a preliminary hearing.

Georgia Moves To End All Lynching

(Associated Press)

ATLANTA, Ga., July 24.—An anti-lynching bill today was introduced in the Georgia house of representatives. The measure provides that any officer found guilty of negligence in a riotous assembly, or mob violence, shall be removed from office and the sheriff of the county involved be subjected to a suit for \$5,000 for each homicide by the mob and "for the full value of property injured or destroyed."

After fees are deducted, the balance of the money would be turned over to the heirs of the victim or victims.

NO RE-ORGANIZATION

(Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, July 24.—The present prohibition enforcement system will be continued indefinitely. Officials have decided that a reorganization cannot be inaugurated as planned on August 1.

ATTORNEYS CLOSE THEIR ARGUMENTS IN PUCKETT TRIAL

Sensational Case Here Brought To An End This Afternoon

ALMON MAKES CLOSING SPEECH

Testimony Concluded In Circuit Court Late Today

Attorneys were closing their arguments this afternoon and the case of Garnie Puckett, on trial in circuit court charged with having attacked Mrs. Cora Puckett, and the case was expected to go to the jury before three o'clock.

The state brought further witnesses to the stand this morning when court was re-opened in the case of Garnie Puckett, jointly indicted on a charge of rape in connection with the alleged assault of Mrs. Cora Puckett near a road eight miles east of Hartselle on June 13.

As the state concluded the attorneys were given 45 minutes each for summing their arguments to the jury which a few hours later were to determine the guilt or innocence of the defendant, the charge being of so serious a nature as to demand a sentence of not less than ten years ranging upwards to the death sentence in case the defendant was adjudged guilty as charged.

Attorney Melvin Hutson was the first to present the case to the jury and in no uncertain terms he asked for a conviction. He was followed by Attorney J. N. Powell of the defense who asked that the facts in the case be considered. Attorney W. W. Callahan delivered the final address in behalf of the defendant and ridiculed the testimony of the principal state witnesses. His criticism was directed at the complainant as he summed the principles upon which the defense had built its case.

Attorney T. C. Almon appeared as the last speaker for the state at the afternoon session, opened at 1:30 o'clock, and again pleaded the cause of the state, asking that the penalty be paid by the defendant for the charge which had been brought against him.

The jury was given the case near 2:15 o'clock and prepared to render a verdict on the case that has stirred the entire Falkville and Eva neighborhood in sensational disclosures.

The Thursday afternoon session found the state still at work producing evidence against the defendants. G. W. Clure, who said he was a resident of that neighborhood declared that he heard some loud talking in the direction of where the occurrence was alleged to have happened. He said he heard some cursing and some one say, "Shoot the..."

On cross examination the witness stated that he thought the noise was heard about nine o'clock at night. He declared he had nothing in particular against the defendant when the defense asked him for a reason why he was testifying against Puckett. He said that he did not get mad at Puckett when the latter had him arrested on a charge of burglarizing his house.

On re-direct the state asked if the witness was to testify against the defendant on another charge and the witness declared that he was.

Burford Clure, son of G. W. Clure was called as the final state witness and told the same story as that related by his father saying that he called his father and Homer Childers to come to the door and listen to the noise over near the public road. He said they listened for a long while and then returned to the house. He

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HEARING ON WATER RATES NOW IS SET DOWN FOR JULY 31

Utility Commission To Take Testimony On Petition

U. S. COURT WILL MEET JULY 30

Three Judges Named To Consider The Order Against Officials

The Alabama public service commission, restrained by order of the federal court from interfering with the increase in water rates in Albany and Decatur, will conduct a hearing on the company's petition for the raise, in Birmingham on Friday, July 31, it was announced today by City Attorney Callahan.

The change of the date of the hearing from July 29 to July 31, was made because of the announcement of the federal court, setting the hearing on the court's restraining order, for Birmingham, instead of Montgomery, and fixing the date as July 30.

The commission announced that it would conduct a hearing on the company's petition for permission to increase the water rates here, prior to the issuance by the federal court of the restraining order. Subsequently the commission announced that it would go ahead with its plans for the hearing. Later the date was changed to July 29, and now has been changed to July 31.

The order of the federal court, setting the hearing for Birmingham and designating the judges to sit at that time, follows:

"In the District Court of the United States for the Middle District of Alabama, Northern Division, at Montgomery.

"Alabama Water Company, vs. Alabama Public Service Commission, and A. G. Patterson, H. Fitzhugh Lee and Frank P. Morgan, as members of the Public Service Commission of Alabama, The City of Albany, and Harwell G. Davis, Attorney General of Alabama.

"The order heretofore made in the above stated cause is hereby modified to the extent that the hearing by the three judges shall be had at Birmingham, Ala., at 10 o'clock on the morning of July 30, 1925, instead of at Montgomery.

U. S. Circuit Judge Walker and District Judge Grubb will assist me at such hearing.

"The Clerk of this Court will send a copy of this order by mail to each of the defendants, as well as to the plaintiff or the plaintiff's attorney of record.

"Done this July 21, 1925. H. D. CLAYTON, U. S. Judge. A true copy.

Attest: GEORGE STUART, Clerk. By ELLEN JACKSON, Deputy."

Loans Authorized By Metropolitan

Loans totaling \$196,000, sufficient to provide housing accommodations for 41 families in Birmingham, Tuscaloosa, Albany, Florence and Bessemer, Ala., were authorized at the last meeting of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company real estate committee. The loans were placed through Jemison & Co., of Birmingham.

These loans bring the total of this company's housing loans in the Birmingham district for this year to more than a million, which was placed through Jemison & Co.

During the first six months of the year the Metropolitan has authorized in different sections of the country, housing loans of approximately forty three million dollars. The loans were made to provide housing accommodations for almost 12,000 families.

FINANCIER CHEATS GALLOWS SECOND TIME IN ONE WEEK

Russell Scott Granted Stay Of Execution By Court Order

PROBE OF SANITY TO BE STARTED

Reprieve Issued Only Four Hours Before Time Of Death

(Associated Press) CHICAGO, July 24—Almost at the hour of his death march, Russell Scott early today escaped the gallows for the second time within a week.

The former Canadian financier twice reprieved from paying the supreme penalty for the murder of a Chicago drug clerk in a hold up, dodged the noose for the third time, less than four hours before he was to have been executed, when Judge Joseph B. David granted stay of execution, pending a hearing into his sanity.

A week ago, six hours before he was to hang, Governor Small granted a one weeks' reprieve which expired this morning.

Judge David, called out of the bed a few hours before the time for the execution, convened a special session of court and granted the stay, after Governor Small and the state board of pardons last night, at Springfield, refused further clemency.

This morning the gallows trap, set for springing a week ago, stood without its victim and jail officials, who had left it standing during the week of grace, were considering dismantling it.

PORT HURON, July 24.—Two thrills, both of them believed by officers to be fakes, were added to the unusual effort being made to save the life of Russell Scott.

The first thrill came when a bottle was picked up in the St. Claire river, containing a note addressed to Russell Scott and purporting to be signed by his brother, Robert.

The second was furnished by Mrs. W. J. Manley, of this city, who telephoned to Chicago early today that Robert Scott had been at her home ill, but he had left at 2 a.m. today, alone, in an automobile for Chicago to save his brother.

Officers are skeptical as to the truth of Mrs. Manley's statement.

Mrs. Manley, who operates an apartment house, was questioned early today by officers after receiving a telephone message from Chicago police to investigate her story. The story told the two officers early today by Mrs. Manley is that a man, giving the name of "Frank Smith" came to her apartment house Thursday and rented a room.

About midnight Thursday he became ill and rapped at her door. She says she arose and fixed some hot drinks for Smith and it was then that he told her he was Robert Scott.

He left the apartment, she said, about 2 a.m. today, stating that he was going to drive to Chicago, in an automobile and that he had to get there in time to save his brother.

Mrs. Manley stated she then telephoned to Mrs. Isabell Hurst, in Chicago, and to Thomas Scott, father of Russell, that Robert Scott was on his way to Chicago.

At three a.m., today a telephone message was received from Chicago police, asking if Robert Scott's body had been found in the St. Claire river. They were told that no body had been found.

At 3:15 a.m. today a man, who stated that he was Lieutenant O'Bryan, of the Chicago police department, called police headquarters here and asked the local officers to investigate a report by telephone to Chicago by Mrs. Manley, to the effect that Robert Scott had been ill at her home in this city. It was then that Mrs. Manley related the story of Scott's departure.

Captured



GRASTIANI LUIGI INT (Inset) MARIANO STELLA

All Italy was aroused at the theft of jewels and treasures of great religious worth from the Vatican at Rome. Two of the alleged vandals, Grastiani Luigi and Mariano Stella, were captured.

ADDITIONS MADE TO ATHENS' FACULTY

Mrs. McCoy Announces Several Teachers Are Added

The following additions to the faculty of Athens College, Athens, Alabama have been presented to the Executive committee of the Board of Trustees for confirmation:

Miss Margaret Eslinger, Columbus, Ohio, Chemistry and physics, Miss Eslinger holds her Bachelor of Science degree from Dickinson College and her Master of Science degree from Ohio State University. In her undergraduate work she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. She is a teacher of experience.

Miss Mary Nash, education and psychology. High school Administration observation and practice teaching. Miss Nash holds her B. S. and M. A. degrees from George Peabody College Graduate work, University of Virginia.

Mrs. Mary E. Beckett, Albany, N. Y. Violin music. Pupil of Dr. Ernest Kroger, Graduate New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, Massachusetts. Bachelor of music, Albany College, Albany, N. Y.

Miss Hattie May Parker, Louisville, N. C., Expression and physical education. Graduate Curry school of expression and Boston school of expression. Holds Dramatic Artist diploma and certificate in Organic gymnastics.

Miss Ione Cooper, Atlanta, Ga., Secretarial school of commerce.

Mrs. E. G. Haygood, Oneonta, Ala. Superintendent of College Infirmary.

Mrs. Lela Leslie, Atlanta, Ga., Dietitian and Superintendent of Dining hall.

The vacancy in Latin and English in election of Miss Mary Moss Wellborn, Rivers Academy has been filled by the Starkville, Mississippi. Miss Wellborn holds her Bachelor of Arts degree from the Mississippi State College for Women, Columbus, Mississippi.

Shoots His Wife And Then Himself

(Associated Press) DORA, Ala., July 24.—Louis Cachon and his wife, Lillie Cachon are dead as a result of bullet wounds, said by police to have been inflicted last night by Cachon, who shot the woman and then turned his gun on himself.

Cachon was said to have become depressed because of ill health. A neighbor's boy reported to authorities that he saw Cachon shoot his wife and himself.

FLORENCE WOULD BE ONE TERMINAL, PADUCAH ANOTHER

Plan For Construction Filed With Interstate Commerce Body

BONDS TO FINANCE THE TRANSACTION

Florence People Are Listed As Officials Of Company

(Associated Press) WASHINGTON, July 24.—A plan for constructing an extensive line of new railroads through Alabama, Tennessee and Kentucky, was filed today with the interstate commerce commission by the Florence, Clifton and Paducah railroad company, an Alabama corporation.

The projected main line would be 225 miles long with terminals at Florence, Ala., and Paducah, Ky. A 25-mile branch from Wayne to Savannah both points in Tennessee was proposed as a part of the plan.

Financing of the construction costs would be accomplished by the sale of bonds but no estimates of the cost were included.

Florence, Ala., is adjacent to the Muscle Shoals power project while Paducah, the other terminal, connects with several railroads.

The applications for permission to build set forth that R. F. Campbell of Florence, is president of the company and most of the other officers named are residents of that city. The purpose was given as the building of a new line of railroad in a district that is almost without railroad facilities.

GILES COUNTY TO HELP ROAD WORK

Paved Highway Likely Soon From Nashville To Birmingham

News of the action of the quarterly court of Giles county in authorizing payment of sufficient funds to defray the county's share of the cost of construction of the highway north from Pulaski to the Maury County line, was received with interest here.

Contract for the road is expected to be let within the next few weeks. Bonds for constructing the road from Columbia, southward, to the Giles county line already have been authorized and that link will be built soon.

Completion of the two links will provide a paved road almost all the way from Nashville to Birmingham. There is a break south of the Alabama line, but work already is underway on the road from Ardmore to Athens. When this is finished, the Bee Line highway southward from Nashville will be excellent condition.

TOLL HEAVY IN COLLAPSE OF VERANDA

(Associated Press) MELBOURNE, Australia, July 24.—One hundred and thirteen persons were injured when the veranda of a motion picture theater collapsed during a parade of sailors of the visiting American fleet today. No one was killed and none of the American sailors was hurt. A record crowd turned out to welcome the bluejackets and many hundreds of people crowded onto the veranda, which, without warning gave way and the spectators were plunged in a heap.

Prudence's Daughter

(By ETHEL HUESTON)

"As I told you," explained Rhoda. "How is she to smash the bottle, Carter?"

Some one hastily brought an electric iron from the kitchen, and Duane held it for her.

He smiled at her anxious uncertainty. "Be careful! Hold the bottle away from you when you break the neck off; don't soil your gown! Then just throw it over the contract."

"Be ready now," cautioned Carter. "It takes but a minute."

The clock on the mantel chimed the hour, and on the last stroke, Carter fired his revolver into the air.

"Quick," whispered Duane in her ear.

With a strong sure blow, Jerry struck the neck from the bottle and flung a stream of the golden fragrant liquor over the contract on the easel.

The others, applauded gaily, clapping their hands, crowding about Carter to shake his hand in congratulation. The girls kissed him, many times, telling him how wonderful it was, and how happy they were.

When Jerry was drawn up to him in the pressure about her, "Oh, it is just wonderful," she breathed ecstatically, still but half comprehending what it was all about. But because the others did, and because he seemed to expect it, and Jerry would not for the world have hurt his feelings, she kissed him, too.

Carter Blake, seeing her in that moment for the first time, amazed and delighted with her loveliness, put both arms about her and kissed her again and again, until Duane pulled him away, reminding him that he had signed but one contract and was taking the privileges of a score!

Then they had supper, a generous, comestible supper, erratic in its variety, sandwiches, Russian soups, strange things on casserole, quaint foreign pastries, Italian ices, and cheeses from every land. Duane and Jerry sat together, very close, very quiet, in the wide window-seat, looking out over the East river to the misty midnight towers of New York on the other side.

The others talked of art, of colors, schools and contracts. But Jerry and Duane in the window heard not a word that was spoken, and hardly talked at all.

It cut into a particularly long and sober silence between them when she said, "Are you an artist?"

Duane laughed. "Oh, Lord, no. I'm on Wall Street. And heaven knows it's where I should be any place but! They're seeing me right as 'left'."

"Who are?" Jerry was almost resentful in his behalf.

"Heaven knows. Somebody. At least it would seem so. I'm getting the ragged edge of it on all ends. I'm not slick enough. I never catch on to what's going on until it's gone. And then it's too late. Don't make me talk about business. I'd rather go on thinking how beautiful you are."

After a while someone started the phonograph once more and they danced. And he took her again to the kitchen, where she had a tiny highball, which she barely touched to her lips, and he had a very large one, and another, and then another. And finally, laughing at what he called her in-temperate temperance, he drained her glass as well.

They were a long time in the kitchen, laughing for no apparent reason, looking at each other deeply, with pleased and intimate understanding, while Duane drank and smoked. When they went back to the studio, the lights were dimmer, the music softer, the voices more subdued.

Altogether, with the face of angel sweetness, dancing by the door as they came in, released the tip of the bearded man's lips from between her lips to call to them:

"Do you like him, Jerry? Pretty well satisfied?"

And Rhoda paused in the midst of a particularly daring rendition of the tango to wave a friendly hand to her.

Jerry flushed deeply, with the unconscious, instinctive recoil of her innocence and her inexperience. Her eyes clouded a little. But she smiled forgivingly.

"Rhoda's really a very nice girl," she said apologetically to Duane. "They are all nice, of course, I know they are. But I have known Rhoda a long time, and she is quite—or, really, she is quite proper. Of course, Iowa would be shocked!"

Duane drew her closer in his arms, so that her breath, with the slight scent of her first highball, touched his face. He did not leave her. The others came and went at will, flirted here, and loitered there, but Duane held his place at Jerry's side, kept her slender hands within his hands, touched the velvety folds of the seductive gown with tender fingers. And Jerry remained blind to the careless familiarity of it all, deaf to its blatant noise, seeing his warm eyes alone, hearing only his gentle voice, feeling but the caressiveness of his wandering touch.

At three o'clock in the morning they went again to the kitchen for something to drink. His eyes were heavy now, his voice a little thick. He had been drinking more than Jerry realized, for she, having barely moistened her lips with the potent liquor, was still alert with the glamour of youth and excitement and romance, her natural brilliancy only slightly faded, not feverishly inflamed, by the seductive drink. Duane filled the small glass for her again, but as she put out a reluctant, unfeeling hand to take it from him, he withdrew it suddenly and placed both bottle and glass on the table behind him.

"Jerry," he whispered, his low voice a little strained, "you beautiful thing!"

Irresistibly stirred by her beauty emboldened by the extent of his drinking, he had audaciously left her fingers, crept toward her shoulder, pressed

ing in suddenly upon the soft flesh beneath her arm where the flame-colored gown drooped away. And then, with increasing eagerness, he bent over her and pressed his hot lips upon the tender softness of her slender throat, and again, before she could move to repel him, upon her innocent and trusting lips. Jerry lay limp in his arms for a moment, and then went suddenly rigid, tearing herself away as though he had struck her.

Humiliation, mingled rage and scorn blazed in her bitter and disillusioned eyes.

"Oh, that," she cried, her voice, though harsh with the pain of her accusation, still carefully controlled that none in the room outside might hear. "That! It's all you think of—any of you—!"

A wave of shame, disappointment, swept over her. Tears came to her eyes. "I thought—I was fool enough to think—"

"What did you think?" he asked encouragingly, rather pleased than otherwise by the initial denial which would give her final yielding only a greater charm. "What did you think, you beautiful thing?"

"I thought it was falling in love—like Prudence." She confessed humbly, crushed by the completeness of her disillusionment.

His infatuation fanned by the frankness of her admission, he reached out a hand to her again, a hand that trembled a little.

"Love!" he repeated. "It is love. This is what love is."

"Don't touch me, you horrible—!" Words failed to express the extent of



"Don't Touch Me, You Horrible—!" Words Failed to Express the Extent of Her Scorn.

her scorn. "There's no such thing! I was a fool to have expected it."

He was surprised that she waited for no further argument, but whirled about, an outraged, lovely figure in the seductive flame-colored gown, and ran from the room. At the door, though, she paused, turned back. He had reached for the glass upon the table, had it within his grasp.

She spoke to herself, not to him. "And to think I was looking forward to it all my life—sure of it—and now—"

"Sure of what? Expected what?" He delayed to take the glass. "That it would come to me the way it came to—Prudence."

Then she went out. Duane waited a moment. She did not come back. He filled his glass and drained it. Then he straightened his collar, unsteadily, and went into the studio to find her. She was not there. He wandered about the room, aimlessly for a while, waiting for her. She did not come. He crossed to where Rhoda, indifferent, misty-eyed, sat with Carter Blake in the window seat.

"Where is she?" he asked. "Your little friend from Iowa?"

Rhoda lifted her head drowsily from Carter's shoulder. "Went home," she said, and her head drooped again.

"She said she had a headache or something," Carter explained. "Got her cloak and went out like a flash. Korzy's gone down to put her in a taxi."

Duane was irritated. The little quitter! And after the way she had encouraged him all evening. He held it a manifest unfairness to end a game so pleasant in such a silly, childish manner. He went out and down the stairs, hoping to overtake her. On the second landing he met Korzy coming up.

"Has she gone? I was going to take her home," he explained lamely.

"Said she was feeling rotten," Korzy told him. "I fancy she was requiring a shock absorber for her morals. They don't abandon their conscience stays in such a hurry, these Middle Westerners. Take them off one at a time, you might say. Beautiful thing, though, isn't she?"

CHAPTER II

The Going of Jerry

At the tender age of eight years Jerry Geraldine Harmer was deposited in one of the forty seats devoted to the primary department of one of the public schools of Des Moines, Iowa—a wide-eyed and wondering martyr, along with thirty-nine other wide-eyed and wondering martyrs, upon the altar of education.

"And what is your name, my dear?" questioned a web-footed teacher with a kindly although stereotyped

smile, gazing down into the depths of the solemn blue eyes.

"Jerry Harmer." The voice was soft but confident. Fairy Geraldine was not a timid child.

A wave of muffled giggling swept through the ranks of the thirty-nine. "Beg pardon, dear—what?"

"Fairy Harmer—Fairy Geraldine Harmer," said Prudence's daughter firmly, though hurt, cut to the quick, in this, her first encounter with the thoughtless cruelty of childhood.

A painful flush suffused the fair, soft face as the laughter swept the startled seats again.

The small face, barely visible above her plate, as they sat at dinner that night, was pale with the first great conviction of her life. She looked at her father, looked again to her mother.

"I want another name," she said, in the tone of one long accustomed to the receiving that comes fast on the heels of the asking.

"Will you take it now, or wait until you get married?" queried her father facetiously.

Prudence was never facetious at the expense of a troubled daughter.

"Why, sweetness?" she questioned gently. "Why?"

"The teacher said, 'What is your name?' and I said, 'Fairy Harmer.' The childish bosom rose with the weight of indignation it had borne throughout the bitter day. "I didn't blame them for laughing," she went on in a tone of dispassionate justice. "I would have laughed, too, if it had been anybody else's name."

Her parents digested this in sympathetic silence.

"And when we had recess," the wounded voice went on, "the boys said, 'Fly away, Fairy, cause fairies have wings.' It is a crazy name, mother," she finished with vast conclusiveness.

Prudence was the soul of gentle sympathy, but what could one do? Her baby had been christened in a thoughtless hour for Fairy, the deeply loved sister.

"It might hurt feelings, sweetness, if we should call you something else," she pleaded.

Fairy Geraldine said no more. But she was not dissuaded. She merely waited until the propitious moment to take the bull by the horns. When Aunt Fairy came to Des Moines for the next annual visit, a wheedlesome niece, Fairy Geraldine, sat in the lap of the lovely auntie who had no baby of her own, caressed her with tender dimpled fingers, adored her in pretty childish gurgles, and when Aunt Fairy was reduced to the point of abject worship, she whispered softly:

"Auntie, dear, sweet auntie, would it hurt your feelings if we call me something else besides Fairy?—I think you're the loveliest auntie that ever was, but it is a crazy name, and they laugh at it."

"I've laughed at it myself a good many times," agreed Aunt Fairy amiably. "I don't blame you a bit for changing it. Your uncle says he wouldn't call a nice dog 'Fairy.' Change it, by all means, my dear. Anything from Fay to Florietta is better than 'Fairy.'"

The "Geraldine" that had been christened neatly in between the Fairy and Harmer obviously suited her purpose to perfection and was solemnly agreed upon and pressed into tardy service.

And in time Geraldine became Jerry, and little Jerry Harmer smiled forgiveness upon the relenting of an unkind fate. It was difficult at first—but the small Jerry was a child of deep purpose and strong conviction.

Every spoken "Fairy" was softly but firmly corrected. "You mean Jerry." And in a surprisingly short time Fairy was forgotten and Jerry held the day.

Jerry's attitude toward life in general was much like that—what she liked she adored, what she disliked must be changed as quickly as possible. Until it could be changed, she endured it with Spartan resolution.

When Jerry was twenty years old, having been graduated from the state university, where she had acquired fair honors in things scholastic, unrivaled ones in things social, she cast about in her truant thoughts for a legitimate avenue of action for those boundless, effervescent spirits of hers.

She was a long time making up her mind, there were so many places one might go, so many things one might do.

"I think perhaps I'd better go to New York and study art," she said. But long before she said it Jerry had quite decided that she would go.

Prudence, with a great sinking in her breast, agreed by all means that she should certainly do that very thing. So much being settled, Jerry went on to discuss her plans, and to air her views of life in general.

"It isn't that I resent your authority, not in the least," she assured them. "But I want to be thrown on my own, you know—I want to be free."

She crossed the room to the golden cage where a golden canary sang blithely in the sunshine. She opened the door. Upon the instant the bird leaped out into the brightness of the room, and circled once about it, with a brave flashing of its yellow wings.

"Like that," Jerry said. "He wants to be free."

The bird flew contentedly back into its golden cage.

Then Jerrold, the father of Jerry, walked slowly across to the cage, his hand outstretched to close the tiny door. But before he could lay his finger upon it the flashing bit of gold leaped out into the brightness of the room, and then back at once into the familiar confines of the cage, still with his sharp eyes on Jerrold's hand, to make a dash for freedom at his slightest movement toward that door. Again and again he reached toward it, and each time the bird leaped out to free-

GROWING HAIRY VETCH FOR SOIL IMPROVEMENT

By M. T. Funchess and F. E. Boyd

1. The curse of Alabama agriculture is poor soils. Our soils are poor because they are lacking in sufficient available phosphorus, nitrogen, and organic matter (humus). Liberal applications of phosphatic fertilizers and the growing of both summer and winter legumes will go a long way toward removing this curse.

2. Of all the winter growing legumes used for soil building purposes hairy vetch has proven the most satisfactory. It has several desirable qualities: (a) It will grow in every county and on practically every soil type; (b) it is not difficult to plant and is easily grown; (c) it rarely needs lime; (d) it is cold resistant; (e) the seed are relatively cheap; (f) it can be planted in the fall after harvest and turned under in the spring in time to plant corn or cotton; and (g) when sown with oats for hay it can be cut in time for planting corn, thus growing two crops a year.

3. Time of planting is very important. Vetch should be planted during the last half of September and throughout October. With moisture conditions favorable earlier plantings are preferable. Extremely early or very late plantings may succeed, but they are risky. Broadcast 20 pounds or drill 15 pounds of seed per acre.

4. There are two general methods of planting: (a) Vetch seed may be sown broadcast and covered with a sweep or scrape, a gee-whiz or disk harrow, or other similar implements. (b) Recent experiences indicate that drilling is a better method of planting vetch. A three-row grain drill equipped with a plate specially prepared for handling vetch seed has proven very satisfactory. The three-row drill is practical for use in cotton middles; it insures a uniform depth of covering it protects the young plants against "heaving" by alternate freezing and thawing; it makes possible the use of air dry soil for inoculation, thus practically guaranteeing successful inoculation; it insures uniform distribution of seed; and makes possible early planting before cotton is harvested. Seed planted early under low moisture conditions should be planted deeper than later plantings when the moisture conditions are generally more favorable. The time and depth of planting in cotton middles can be controlled much more satisfactorily when drilled than when sown broadcast. Cover seed about two inches deep in heavy soils and about three inches deep on sand soils. The drill

should be equipped with very narrow flows to avoid leaving wide open furrows that may fill with soil washings after heavy rains, thus covering the young vetch plants.

5. Inoculation is absolutely essential when planting on land for the first time. More vetch failures are due to a lack of inoculation than to any other cause. Three methods are now in general practice: (a) Commercial or artificial inoculation is always available and should be applied according to instructions contained on the package. (b) when sowing broadcast, and where only a small quantity of inoculation soil from an old vetch field is available, it is recommended that seed be made sticky with syrup after which enough dry inoculated soil is added to remove the stickiness. This gives a coat of inoculated soil adhering to each seed. These methods may be used singly or in combination to insure successful inoculation. (c) Wherever the three-row drill is used inoculated soil, previously screened and air dried, may be put in the fertilizer hopper of the drill, thus permitting the seed and inoculated soil to come in direct contact in the of each drill furrow.

6. Except on land that has been liberally fertilized for previous crops, it is highly desirable to apply at least 400 pounds of acid phosphate or basic slag per acre at seeding time. Recent experiments indicate quite clearly that it is unwise to mix phosphatic fertilizers (acid or basic) directly with small quantities of inoculated soil. This does not apply to fields already inoculated but to such conditions as mixing fertilizer and soil in hopper of drill.

7. Due to the slow growth made by vetch before the latter part of March there is a tendency to turn this crop too early for maximum results. Do not plant unless it is to be allowed to grow until April 10th or later.

8. Where corn is to follow vetch, do not plant corn for two weeks after vetch is turned under, since vetch attracts budworms which destroy the young corn plants. Cotton should not be planted in less than ten days after turning the vetch since the rotting vetch rots the cotton seed and destroys the stand.

9. A crop of hairy vetch that will cut one ton of hay (dry matter) per acre, if turned under, will add to the land as much nitrogen as is contained in 400 pounds of nitrate of soda, and in addition much badly needed organic matter.

10. Ask your county agent about details for growing hairy vetch.

Jerry had been christened Fairy grade school; the children laugh Geraldine Harmer. But she got rid of it at her. Read "Prudence's Daughter" of the Fairy soon after starting to starting soon in The Daily.

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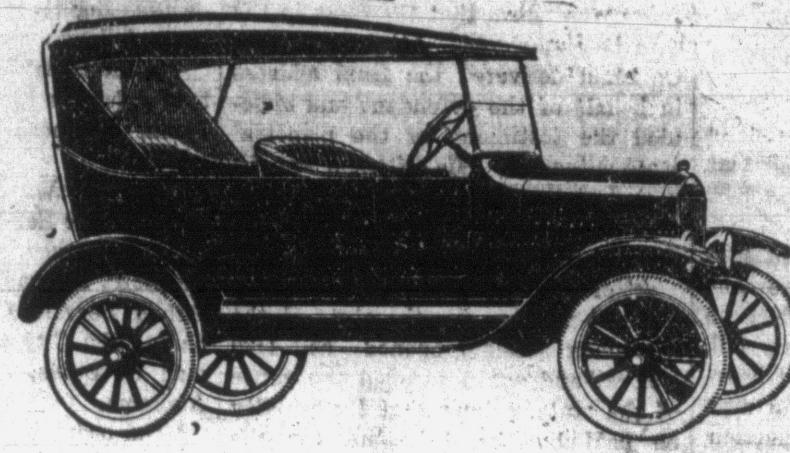
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12 Years Ago From The Daily of TODAY

July 24, 1913

C. L. Price and S. T. West have returned from Moulton, after having a difficult trip. Enroute home the horse they were driving died, but a friend passed and aided the travelers into the city.

William H. Burch, of Philadelphia, has succeeded F. R. Seeley as general manager of the H. H. Hitt Lumber company.

H. J. Frahn, former local boy, now an architect in Nashville, is the guest of relatives here.

CHEERING NEWS FROM PURCHASERS OF BRIDGE BONDS

The telegram received late Thursday by Clyde Hendrix, banker and official, from Caldwell and company, purchasers of the bridge bond issues from Albany and Decatur, brought a cheering word to all local citizens.

While it was felt that the bond issues were entirely valid, at the same time, bond attorneys are paid large sums to find flaws in bond issues, if there is any possibility that flaws actually exist. It is with more or less of a sigh of relief that word is received that the bonds have been "practically approved."

Some took this information as meaning that the bond attorneys had discovered some minor condition which is to be remedied before final approval is given, but the fact that Caldwell and company, the attorneys' clients, were so certain the bonds are valid that they have ordered printing to begin, was taken to mean that local people have nothing more to worry about in connection with the issues.

In due course of time, the bonds will be signed by the proper officials, the money paid over and in turn handed into the treasury of the state of Alabama. The highway commission appears to be absolutely correct in its contention that work on the bridge will be started in August.

COMMITTEE TO REPORT TONIGHT ON C. OF C. REORGANIZATION PLAN

The committee charged with the duty of mapping out plans for reorganization and rejuvenation of Albany-Decatur Chamber of Commerce, is expected to make its report at a meeting of interested citizens at the Y. M. C. A. at 7:30 o'clock this evening, and the good wishes of the entire community go with the committee as it makes its final draft.

Enthusiasm was high Tuesday evening, when citizens met at the Y. M. C. A. to get the reorganization movement underway.

At no time could Albany and Decatur really afford to be without the services of a Chamber of Commerce, but of all times, the absence of such an organization probably would be more keenly felt than ever before.

Industries are turning toward the South. Many of them are turning toward Alabama, and scores of them are turning toward North Alabama. Keen observers predict that the Tennessee Valley is the coming industrial section of the country. We will get a certain amount of benefit from this movement southward, but we cannot hope to get such benefit as we are entitled to by natural advantages unless we back these natural inducements with practical and material inducements.

We must have a Chamber of Commerce, a live and wide awake chamber of commerce to work in our behalf. We need such an organization now. If we do not have one we can blame no one but ourselves, if our progress is made slower.

PORTLAND MAN FINDS WAY TO CHECK UP ON THE MEDIUMS

J. Albert Gilbert, of Portland, Ore., has checked up on spiritualism and found it without the foundation of truth he had hoped to find.

Gilbert offered a reward of \$500 to any medium who would bring him a message from his wife, who passed from this world in 1917. Many have tried to win this prize, but none have succeeded.

Associated Press dispatches describe Gilbert as literally "flooded" with all kinds of messages, purporting to come from his wife. Some of these messages were relayed to him by spiritualistic mediums, some came by ouija boards, some through automatic writing, but none came from Mrs. Gilbert.

How does he know that they do not? The dispatches quote Gilbert as saying that before the death of his wife, the couple agreed on a name which would be used, should a way ever be found to communicate between this world and the other one. This name was written on a slip of paper and deposited in a safety deposit vault. No one knows what the name is but Gilbert, and none of the mediums have been fortunate enough to guess it.

Naturally enough the medium's efforts have failed. More than likely other people would have their faith in such communications shaken, were they in position, as Gilbert is, to make a direct check on the authenticity of the alleged communications.

AMERICA GIVES ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF FRIENDSHIP FOR CHINESE

Press dispatches tell of the killing of one American and

the capture of five more by Chinese bandits, and all of this on the heels of the action of President Coolidge in remitting the last installment of China's debt to the United States. China is taking a peculiar way to display her appreciation to America.

Washington takes the view, however, that the murder of the American was the act of bandits, acting as individuals, and not as reflecting any hatred of Americans. China has many reasons to have a friendly feeling toward the great republic, as the Anniston Star points out:

"The action of President Coolidge a few days ago in remitting the last installment of China's debt to the United States was a graceful and timely courtesy to a country that is in deep distress because of internal warfare."

"China still owed the United States a little more than six million dollars of the Boxer outbreak indemnity. Originally the amount claimed by this government was \$24,000,000, but congress a few years ago reduced the amount greatly. Last year the congress granted authority to the President to remit the amount if he saw fit to do so, and now this has been done."

"The Chinese government will use the money it would have had to pay the United States for educational purposes under the direction of a board composed of American and Chinese citizens and used in this way, the money can be made a great help to China."

"In its friendly act the United States has added to the strength of the friendship China always has had for this government and people. It is far better that the six million dollars this country does not need should go to help Chinese educational affairs, where it is so greatly needed, than that we should have insisted upon China paying up. Now the Chinese see that America is not grasping and greedy, does not wish to further cripple an almost prostrate country, and really is eager to help."

"The friendship of China may not be worth much now to any government, but the time may come when it will be very handy indeed to have the 'Little Yellow Boys' think well of this country. The Chinese giant may never be aroused from its lethargy, the country may always be as unwieldy and as helpless as it now is, and then, on the other hand, China may take on a few more occidental customs, may develop some of the energy and vim of the West, and may get up and tell the world how far it can go in dealing with it. If that time ever should come, and if in the meantime this country should be at outs with some other Far Eastern or not so far Eastern nation, old, weak, sleeping China, now so helpless, might do much to help its Yankee friend."

But aside from any such possibilities as the above, it was right and proper for Mr. Coolidge to wipe off the debt of China from the slate. Anyhow, it was just as well, for China could not raise six million dollars now if she had to do so."

CAN THE TENNESSEE VALLEY RAISE \$100,000 FOR ATHENS COLLEGE?

Mrs. J. H. McCoy, who recently returned to Athens to accept the presidency of Athens college, already has shown that enthusiasm for her work and that vision which so marked her previous administrations of the affairs of the college.

On Sunday morning last, the Alabama Courier reports, Mrs. McCoy spoke at the eleven o'clock service at the Methodist church. During the course of her able address, she devoted much time to a discussion of Athens college and its needs.

"All that Athens college needs is money to put it on a par with the great colleges of the nation," she said. "It has the field of service, a convenient location and a great history behind it. It is impossible to accomplish what the day demands without modern equipment, strong faculties, and adequate financial resources."

If the Tennessee Valley will subscribe a fund of \$100,000 for Athens college, the remainder of the sum necessary to give the college the financial backing it needs and deserves can be raised, Mrs. McCoy stated. What, then, will be the answer of the Valley?

The Daily feels that the entire Tennessee Valley is justifiably proud of Athens college. Surely the endowment fund, of which Mrs. McCoy speaks, is worthy of our earnest consideration. There is no need to limit the donors to the college to the people of the Methodist denomination.

There is a great need in this modern age for Christian schools of higher learning. Athens college, as best it may, with inadequate financial support, is seeking to do its full share toward filling this need. If the scope of service is to be enlarged, it is up to the people of North Alabama to subscribe the means.

Mrs. McCoy has prepared, in condensed form, some of the facts about Athens college, which we take pleasure in republishing from The Courier:

"The North Alabama Conference is the first Conference in delegated strength in the entire Southern Methodist connection."

"The population of Alabama has increased in twenty years by about six hundred thousand persons."

"The greater part of this increase in population has been North of the middle line."

"The North Alabama Conference is the only Conference in the entire connection of any strength that has but one College for women in the bounds of the Conference."

"There is no other conference of anything like the same strength in which there is no denominational competition in the higher education of women."

"There is no institution or college-grade for men or for women under State direction or denominational control except Athens College north of Birmingham in Alabama."

"That all of the denominational colleges for women North of the middle line of the State, except Athens College, have passed out of existence before the onward march of Alabama's great high school system. A Christian College cannot hold low standards and merit enough patronage to live."

"That the principal of the leading Normal college in the Republic of China is an Athens College graduate."

"Athens College has a thousand daughters around the world, and Athens College girls have served in every Mission Field in which Methodist Episcopal Church, South, operates."

"That Athens College has property valuations amounting to about four hundred thousand dollars."

"That it has weathered the storm for eighty-three years, being two years older than the Southern Methodist Church."

"That it has been a standard College of A-grade since 1913 and that it still holds that grade. That efforts are now being made to raise \$150,000 on endowment."

"That Alabama today has an adequate High school system and inadequate college facilities in dormitories, equipment, and teaching force to provide for the higher education of her High school graduates."

"That Muscle Shoals, an hour and a half's ride from Athens College, is the most widely advertised spot on the American continent, and that Alabama has through this wonderful resource the greatest potential industrial development of any state in the Union."

OFFICE CAT

Copyright 1921, by
Edgar Allan Moss.Did anyone ever hear of a hen who
mislaid an egg?My idea of a good time, is sitting
around wondering how tired we would
get if we were not so lazy.It is getting to be that Christmas
ought to be spelled Giftmas.Women are the same in at least one
respect; they do you good— for
every cent.What this country needs, is an old
fashioned dollar.It is easy to tell by a man's laugh
whether your joke amused or bored him.Married people should remember
that neighbor always knows more
about you than they let on like they
do.Some how a fellow gets into a lot
of things it's hard to get out of.
Jail is one of them.Footprints in the sands of time are
not made by sitting down.A foreigner, here to learn American
business methods, is charged with
having forged a check for \$5,500.
How quickly they do learn.Correct this sentence: "If you think
it ought to be pulled, Doc," agreed the
man cheerfully, "just go ahead and
pull it."

A guy I hate is Harvey Slack.
He always slaps me on the back
And grabs my hand and says,
"My gawd, Mac, I'm glad to see
you."

"Well, I came down with flying
colors, always," said the painter as
he fell off the scaffolding.

Another good thing for the complexion
is to put it to bed before 2
o'clock a. m.

We see red every time we think
of those blue laws.

Disappointed Lover: Waaaazz your
namegirlie?

Sweet Young Thing: 'Lisbeth.
D. L: Well, tonite you can Eat,
Drink an' be Mary.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

The City Council of the City of Albany, Alabama, will receive bids for the construction of a Storm Water Sewer, (Lee St.) under improvement ordinance No. 450, and also for finishing the paving of Second Ave., E., Ordinance No. 455, from Jackson St. to Prospect Drive, and Prospect Drive from Second Ave., E., to Fourth Avenue, E., till Friday, August 7th, 1925, 7:30 p.m., in the City Hall. Certified Check to accompany each bid, and the City Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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GARY RETURNS TO HOME IN NEW YORK

Steel Company Chief Is Feeling Fit, He Tells Reporters

(Associated Press)
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 24—Apparently vigorous and in a happy frame of mind, Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the United States steel corporation, left Birmingham today for New York after having his diet supervised for a week by physicians attached to the corporation's Fairfield hospital.

Mr. Gary said he was "feeling good" and his appearance bore out the statement when he received a number of newspaper men. This ended his third visit to Birmingham within the past 60 days.

While the primary purpose of his visits was to place himself under observation of physicians for diet superseding the corporation's properties vision, he spent much of his time in the Alabama mine field.

While he was optimistic concerning business in general and the corporation's work in this district in particular, nothing definite was said concerning reported expansion in Alabama.

"Birmingham is an extra good location for the manufacture of iron and steel and that cordial, loyal and generous disposition of the people here is appreciated," said Mr. Gary.

Mrs. Gary accompanied her husband.

BIRTH

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Moore a twelve pound girl at the Physicians and Surgeons hospital at Chattanooga Tenn., on July 23rd.

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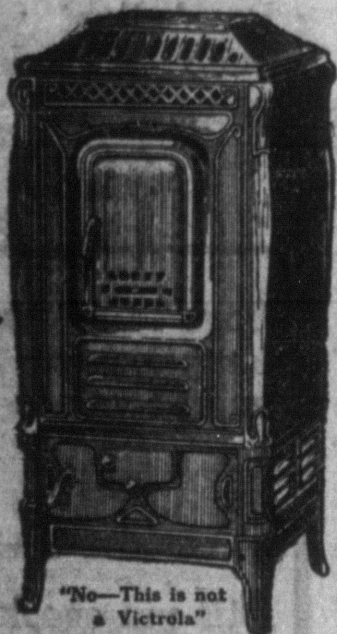
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AFFAIR GIVEN IN HONOR
OF MISS OTTWEILL

Another pretty party given to compliment Miss Elizabeth Ottwell, of Cullman who is visiting Miss Agnes Cassells was the one on Thursday afternoon when Miss Louise Fleming was hostess to the following friends at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Fleming: Misses Elizabeth Ottwell, Eleanor Ramage, Margaret Broadus, Frances Himes, Agnes Giles, Marion Callahan, Elizabeth Schuessler of Wardley, Ala., Miss Mary Agnes Gill of Fayetteville, Tenn.; Miss Laura Mae Graham, Louise Almon, Agnes Cassells and Mary Genusa, of Helena Ark. The home was attractively decorated with varieties of summer garden flowers.

Miss Agnes Cassells won the prize for highest score at bridge and Miss Fleming presented the honoree a lovely souvenir.

Late in the afternoon a lovely ice course was served.

DINNER FOR MR.
AND MRS. LEE

Miss Elise Bean was a dinner hostess of Thursday honoring Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lee of Birmingham who are visiting here. It was given at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Bean at Priceville.

Covers were laid for twelve.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thornton had as their guests for a few days this week, their brother, John Thornton.

Mrs. Henry Davis and daughters are visiting relatives in Columbia, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Jones and children are expected from Red Boiling Springs, Tenn., where they are spending a while.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace and son are spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Gibson.

Mrs. Ben Colley continues very ill at her home on Line street.

Mr. and Mrs. Atlee Hoff and two sons, who are touring Canada are now at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Mrs. E. P. Kingsbury and two daughters, Helen and Ann have returned from a three weeks visit in the mountains of northeast Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Roper are expected home on Sunday from a two weeks motor trip to points in Alabama and Florida.

Mrs. J. O. Mote is visiting in Aniston and Linesville, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cooper of Birmingham are visiting her mother Mrs. E. W. McCleskey here.

Miss Frances Himes has returned from the University of Tennessee, where she took a special course in kindergarten work.

Mrs. Fanny Wallace left Thursday for Mentone, Ala., for a few weeks stay.

Mrs. Kate B. Morrison of Hartselle and Mrs. Wear of Shreveport, La., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Cook at their home on Johnston street.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hendrix and son, Clyde Jr., and daughter, Estelle left on Friday morning in their car for a visit to relatives in Marianna, Ark.

Mrs. Roman Puckett and Mrs. Orr of Hartselle are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arwin Draper.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dupont and three boys of Evansville, Ind. are the guests of their mothers, Mrs. C. V. Dupont and Mrs. Roper in Trinity.

Mrs. F. H. Pointer and daughter, Marjory are expected home on Tuesday from Monteagle, Tenn., where they are spending ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. Jourdan and children of Memphis, Tenn., motored here to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ling.

Mrs. Jasper Moore and children of Memphis, Tenn., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Kirkland.

Mrs. O. M. Blackwell is ill at her home on Eighth avenue west.

Mrs. Albert McCauley is visiting friends and relatives in Nashville, Tenn.

Miss Flora Gardner, R. C. Gardner and daughter, Doris will leave on Friday night to spend the weekend in Memphis, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Featherstone, Mrs. C. O. Foote and son, James, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. O'Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Van Arsdale have returned from a several weeks visit to points in the north and east and also in Canada.

Mrs. C. O. Foote has returned from a short visit to friends in Birmingham.

Miss Lula Garnett left on Wednesday night for a visit to friends in Logansville, Ga., and other points in Georgia.

Rev. and Mrs. Claude Orear who are on a motor tour of Florida will return home this weekend and will then go to the mountains of North Carolina for two weeks.

Louis Ling is confined to his home with fever.

Roy Ling of Birmingham is visiting relatives here.

Judge W. T. Lowe left Thursday afternoon to join Mrs. Lowe in Pulaski, Tenn., where she is visiting her mother.

THEATRES

Viola Dana, Theodore Roberts and Raymond Griffith are featured in the principal roles of the Paramount picture, "Forty Winks," which opens tomorrow at the Princess Theatre. The picture is an adaptation of David Belasco and Henry C. DeMille's tremendously popular stage farce, "Lord Chumley," adapted to the screen by Bertram Millhauser and directed by Paul Iribe and Frank Urson. The production is a melodramatic mystery-comedy.

Roberts, who returned to the screen after an absence of a year in "Locked Doors," is cast as a retired admiral in "Forty Winks." "Admiral" Roberts fits right into his nautical role because for two and a half years in real life he was Captain Roberts, commanding a schooner plying out of San Francisco. Miss Dana plays his daughter, in love with Chumley, a titled English gentleman.

Other big names in the cast include Cyril Chadwick, William Boyd, as the young naval lieutenant who loses a set of coast defense plans and starts all the rumpus, and Anna May Wong. Both Chadwick and Miss Wong have prominent roles in "Peter Pan."

It is Griffith who furnishes most of the fun in the picture. Remember him in "Changing Husbands" and "Miss Bluebeard"? A scream! And with Theodore Roberts, "the grand old man of the screen," back with us once again, cigar and all.

Here's a real cast for a real picture!

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Attorneys Close Their Arguments In Puckett Trial

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said that he heard some one "holler hold her." Then he heard someone yell "shoot" and then he heard a shot. He declared.

The defense cross examined and asked the witness why he did not go to the scene of the occurrence if it lasted an hour and a half. The witness answered, "If you knowed that country you wouldn't go either, you'd have to be hauled back."

The state rested at 2:25 o'clock. The defense called W. R. Suit as the first witness in the behalf of the defendant. He said that he remembered the night of June 13. He declared he saw Cora Puckett at the home of Eli Pierce with an older woman, whom he declared to have been Mrs. Cora Puckett's mother. He said Cora stepped out and waved Murrell to stop as he came up the road with a loaded car in which, according to the witness, George Morgan, Louis Haney Coleman Childers, Mr. Murrell and himself, were riding. He said the time was getting "dusk to dark." He stated that Murrell stopped and Cora said she wanted to get into the car. He declared the older woman said Cora had no business getting in the car, that she was drinking. The witness stated that Murrell drove on and had car trouble. He then declared that Mrs. Cora Puckett and Pierce came up on foot. She said the witness stated, that she was going on the car. He said that she had been drinking. In his judgment. He said ten minutes elapsed in fixing the car and Mrs. Puckett and Pierce got on the car. He said the car went approximately half a mile and Murrell turned to go home. The witness said that Mrs. Puckett when asked if she wanted to get off that she replied no. Suit declared Mrs. Puckett rode back 200 yards beyond where Murrell Puckett lived and the occupants of the car told Mrs. Puckett and Pierce to get off. He stated that a car drove up from behind while they were stopped and that he saw two Puckett boys and another man whom he did not know. Suit said they left in about three minutes and had gone a short distance when the other car started in the same direction. He said the time was about 8:30.

The cross examination was with relation to the past record of the witness and in an attempt to determine whether Mrs. Puckett and Pierce were in the car or hanging on the side. He stated that he did not know whether

they were hanging on or on the inside. He said that he was not on the best of terms with the complainant and relatives.

Frank Murrell gave practically the same testimony until the state on cross examination asked where he, in company with the men alleged to have occupied the car, was going. He said he did not know where they were going, that they were going several places.

Coleman Childers testified that Suits asked the older woman accompanying the complainant and Pierce when Cora is alleged to have waved Murrell to stop, "Drinkin' ain't she." He said the older woman replied, "yes." He then declared that Suits said "She ain't gettin' in." He testified that a car had driven up from behind as they stopped to let Cora and Eli off.

Attorney Callahan asked the courts indulgence that he might confer with witnesses.

The remainder of the testimony was taken with character witnesses for the defense. They declared that the character and reputation of Mrs. Puckett was "bad." Witnesses called by the defense for this angle of the case included Dr. W. S. Bean, W. H. Drinkard, Dan McGlathery, J. J. Key, Joe Bell, Walter Dunlap, Janie Montgomery. All declared that their judg-

ment was based on hearsay and discussion with others.

The character of Eli Pierce, his general reputation as to truthfulness was taken up by the defense. Wilbur Oden, Cleave Tanner and Annie Beavers stated that generally Pierce's reputation for truthfulness was "bad."

The defense introduced witnesses to testify as to the general reputation of George and Buford Clure. They testified that the general reputation for truthfulness was "bad."

Mrs. Hetta Puckett and Mary Lizzie Puckett, mother and wife of Merley Puckett testified that the boys had left the house of Mrs. Hetta Puckett ans gone after milk and sugar and flavoring for making ice cream on the night that the attack is alleged to have occurred. The ydeclared that the boys were absent about an hour and that upon returning were at her home until 12:15 o'clock.

Mary Lizzie Puckett said that Mrs. Cora Puckett was near the home of Merley Puckett on that night until near three o'clock in the morning and that she used vulgar language. She said that she first saw Cora Puckett and Eli Pierce about 200 yards from the house.

The state in cross examination of Mrs. Hetta Puckett attempted to establish the fact that a part of the

family had gone to the home of Mrs. Cora Puckett following the alleged attack to effect a compromise, that the case might not be brought to trial. The witness stated however that no offer was made in her presence.

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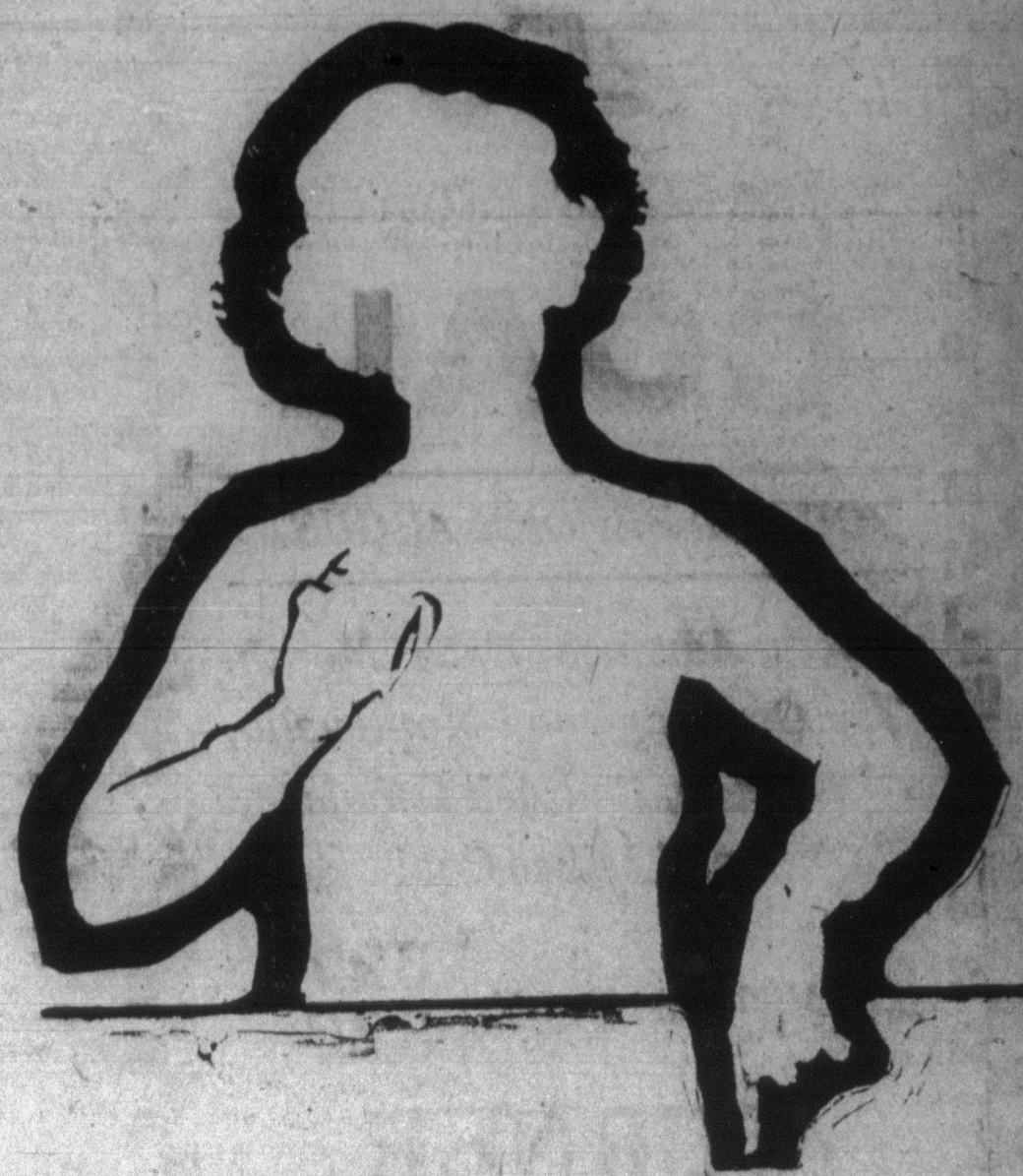
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